

Last week, an Arizona grand jury indicted Congressman Rick Renzi (R-AZ) on 35 counts. He should resign from Congress. Last June, Rep. Jefferson (D-LA) was indicted on 16 counts. You may remember authorities discovered \$90,000 in alleged bribe money in his freezer -- new meaning to the term "hard, cold, cash." He should resign too.

Last year, the House followed my lead to pass new ethics laws killing the pensions for members of Congress convicted of felonies. My bill, H.R. 14, listed all 21 public integrity felonies, based on a bill that both Speaker Pelosi and Minority Leader Boehner voted for in 1996. Our more limited bill does kill the pension for conviction of at least bribery and three other charges. If these congressmen are convicted, they should be the first to see their pension rights removed.